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1. The following is a list of consumer goods and their prices as of August 1954:

## a. Foodstuffs

## Price (in leva)

(1) Dark bread	1½ per kg.
(2) White bread	3 per kg.
(3) Macaroni products	6 per kg.
(4) Rice	10 per kg.
(5) Sugar	10 per kg.
(6) Vegetable oil	13-15 per kg.
(7) Butter	23½ per kg.
(8) Provolone-type cheese	19 per kg.
(9) Cottage cheese	13 per kg.
(10) Salt	1.20 per kg.
(11) Pork	14 per kg.
(12) Top-grade beef	13-14 per kg.
(13) Fruit	2-3 per kg.
(14) Coffee	180 per kg.
(15) Tea	160-180 per kg.
(16) Milk (at State stores)	3 per liter
(17) Olive oil	40 per liter
(18) Marmalade	8 per kg.
(19) Table oils	22 per kg.
(20) Eggs	.50-.80 per kg.

## b. Wearing apparel

(1) Poplin	40 per meter
(2) Cotton cloth	20-25 per meter
(3) Woolen cloth, domestic	200 per meter
(4) Woolen cloth, imported	200-360 per meter
(5) Natural silk fabric	50-60 per meter

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(6)	Light woolen cloth for women's dresses	100-300	per meter
(7)	Rubber shoes	90-120	per pair
(8)	Leather shoes	260	per pair
(9)	Men's cotton socks	10-14	per pair
(10)	Men's undershirts	10-12	per pair
(11)	Men's cotton undershirts and drawers	20	per set
(12)	Men's sports hats	20-30	each
(13)	Hats	180-200	each
(14)	Ready-made overcoats of ordinary cloth	500-1000	each
(15)	Ready-made raincoats, domestic	200-300	each
(16)	Gabardine cloth	360	per meter
(17)	Cloth for raincoats, imported from Austria	140	per meter
(18)	Women's shoes with rubber parts	120	per pair
(19)	Women's leather shoes	240	per pair
(20)	Women's nylon stockings	90-160	per pair
(21)	Women's ready-made overcoats	300	each

c. Furniture

(1)	Kitchen sets	2000	each
(2)	Bedroom sets, without rugs	2000-5000	each
(3)	Dining room sets	2000-3000	each
(4)	5-tube radio sets, made in Bulgaria	1000-2000	each
(5)	Radio sets, made in Germany or Czechoslovakia	2000-3000	each

d. Housing

(1)	Unit consisting of kitchen, one room, and utilities	40	per month
(2)	Same unit, with two rooms	80	per month
(3)	(40 additional leva per month for each additional room)		

e. Electricity

(1)	Average consumption (for a family of three occupying house with kitchen and two rooms)	30-35	per month
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f. Cosmetics

(1)	Rouge	3-10	
(2)	Face powder	3-10	
(3)	Eau de cologne, $\frac{1}{4}$ (liter?)	30-40	
(4)	Permanent wave	20	

g. Entertainment

(1)	Movies	2.80-3.20	
(2)	Theater (opera)	4-10	
(3)	Theater (concert)	12	

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h. Miscellaneous

(1)	Beer, $\frac{1}{4}$ (liter?)	.80
(2)	Shave	1.20
(3)	Haircut	2.20
(4)	Shampoo	2.80

i. Transportation

(1)	Czech-made bicycles, adult size	1300	each
(2)	Same, junior size	800	each
(3)	Motorcycles, Tatra or Skoda brand, (500 cubic centimeters)	5000	each
(4)	Same, 350 cubic centimeters. (at a rate of 10 leva per cubic centimeter)	3500	each

j. Motor Fuel

(available on free market since June 1954)

(1)	Gasoline	4.20	per liter
(2)	Gasoline (for foreign delegations, government officials, ministries, etc. - purchased with coupons)	1.60	per liter
(3)	Fuel oil	1.20	per liter
(4)	Oil (lubrication/?)	8-12	per liter
(5)	Oil for heavy motors	5-9	per liter

## 2. The following pay scale was in effect as of August 1954:

a.	White-collar workers	800-1200	per month, (according to responsibility and seniority)
b.	Blue-collar workers (men)	600-660	per month
c.	Blue-collar workers (women)	360-400	per month

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